

BLACK HILLS DISTRICT FALL SCHOOL

My name is Casey Warren and I am the current president of the Black Hills District. The goal of the Black Hills District, as well as the SD Firefighters Association, is to train firefighters. We are happy to present this years fall fire school hosted by the Black Hills District. The 2015 fall school will be held on September 27th at the Doty Fire Department. We plan on hosting three classes; Fire Service Maintenance, Apparatus Driving 101, and Vehicle Extrication.

The Fire Service Maintenance class will cover general maintenance issues that occur in any fire/rescue department. An example of items to be covered include nozzle maintenance, small pump maintenance, fluid selection, vehicle maintenance, hand tool care, and developing a maintenance plan for your department.

Apparatus Driving 101 will focus on making firefighters safe drivers. Driving is one of the most hazardous items that we face in the fire service. Items that will be covered is driving defensively and laws/regulations. After the classroom portion of the class, students will have an opportunity to utilize the Rapid Valley Fire Department's driving simulator. This trailer mounted simulator will put you in the drivers seat to test your driving skills.

Vehicle extrication will also be a great class to attend. This class will have several different focuses. One focus will be hybrid/electric vehicles. These vehicles are getting more prevalent on today's roadways and the first responder must know how these vehicles operate and how to safely extricate victims from entrapment. The second focus will be on heavy transport vehicle extrication. Extricating a victim from a crashed semi cab can be very difficult. The student will learn the latest and best ways to safely remove a victim from these types of vehicles.

A meal will be provided. A business meeting will also be held during lunch. Positions that are also up for election are; President Elect (2 yr. term), and Central Director-Meade/Pennington Counties (3 yr. term). We also have a open secretary position. Please contact me if you are interested in this position as it is appointed, not elected.

Registration is from 8 am to 9 am. Classes start at 9 am. Class fee \$25.00

Location: Doty Fire Department
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Rapid City, SD 57702